



**State of Louisiana
Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority**

2017 Annual Inspection Report

for

**Pass Chaland to Grand Bayou Pass
Barrier Shoreline Restoration**

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I. Introduction

The Pass Chaland to Grand Bayou Pass Barrier Shoreline Restoration (BA-35) project area is located between Pass Chaland and Grand Bayou Pass and separates Bay Joe Wise from the Gulf of Mexico. The project area is located in Plaquemines Parish.

II. Project Description and History

The Pass Chaland to Grand Bayou Pass Barrier Shoreline Restoration (BA-35) consists of nourishing and rebuilding the shoreline with sediment to create a beach berm, dune, and a back-barrier marsh platform. The wetlands, dune, and swale habitats within the project area have undergone substantial loss due to oil and gas activities, subsidence, sea-level rise, and marine and wind-induced shoreline erosion. Marine processes acting on the abandoned deltaic headlands and barrier islands rework and redistribute the previously deposited sediment. In these areas along the shoreline, there are several locations where the shoreline has receded and decreased to a critical width that is susceptible to breaching during storms.

Construction of the Pass Chaland to Grand Bayou Pass Barrier Shoreline Restoration (BA-35) was completed in July 2009. No operations and maintenance projects have been completed to date.

III. Inspection Purpose and Procedures

The purpose of the annual inspection of the Pass Chaland to Grand Bayou Pass Barrier Shoreline Restoration (BA-35) is to evaluate the constructed project features to identify any deficiencies and prepare a report detailing the condition of project features and recommended corrective actions needed. Should it be determined that corrective actions are needed, the OCPR shall provide, in the report, a detailed cost estimate for engineering, design, supervision, inspection, and construction contingencies, and an assessment of the urgency of such repairs (O&M Plan). The annual inspection report also contains a summary of maintenance projects and an estimated projected budget for the upcoming three (3) years for operation, maintenance and rehabilitation. The three (3) year projected operation and maintenance budget is shown in Appendix C.

A visual inspection of the Pass Chaland to Grand Bayou Pass Barrier Shoreline Restoration (BA-35) was not held this year. Instead it was agreed by CPRA and NOAA that observations would be made viewing the latest Google Earth Imagery. This imagery, taken on November 20, 2016, is included in Appendix B of this report.

IV. Inspection Results

Sand Fence

Approximately 14,360 linear feet of sand fencing was installed during project construction. This structure appears to have been removed by Hurricane Isaac, however due to the vegetation it does not need to be replaced at this time.

Containment Dike

It appears this structure has almost completely degraded in the bay but remains intact along the small stretch outside of the bay. Some erosion appears to have encroached on the marsh platform along a few stretches.

Settlement Plates

The settlement plates were not inspected at this time.

Vegetative Plantings

The project has vegetated nicely over the years.

V. Conclusions

The project is performing as designed. Based on visual inspections and aerial imagery the shoreline is retreating. The majority of this was caused by the landfall of Hurricane Isaac in 2012. Thick vegetation is evident on the island and is performing the job of sediment retainage. This shoreline retreat will continue to be observed visually and through regular surveys. If necessary, more sand fencing or vegetative plantings will be used to maximize sediment retainage through the 20-year life of the project.

VI. Recommendations

It is recommended not to perform any maintenance work at this time.

Immediate Repairs

- None at this time.

Programmed Maintenance

- No Programmed Maintenance is recommended at this time.

Appendix A

Project Features Map



Pass Chaland to Grand Bayou Pass Barrier Island Restoration (BA-35)

- Temporary Access Channel *
 - Water Exchange Channel *
 - Dune Creation *
 - Beach Creation *
 - Marsh Creation *
 - Project Boundary
- * denotes proposed feature

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Background Imagery:
2004 Digital Orthophoto Quarter Quadrangle

Map Date: April 10, 2006
Map ID: USGS-NWRC 2006-11-0263
Data accurate as of: April 07, 2006

Appendix B

Photographs



Photo #1 – Full Project Area.



Photo #2 – West End Beach and Dune Vegetation.



Photo #3 – East End Beach and Dune Vegetation.

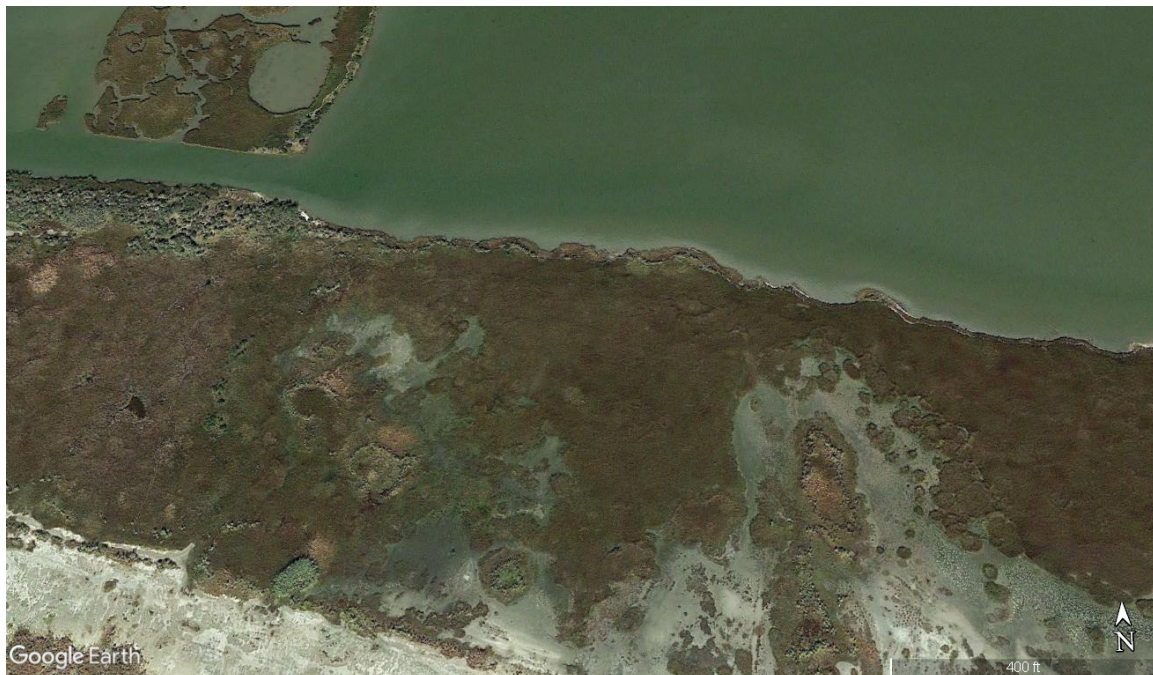


Photo #4 – West End Marsh and Containment Dike Degradation.



Photo #5 – East End Marsh and Containment Dike Degradation.

Appendix C

Three Year Budget Projection

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Appendix D

Field Inspection Form

MAINTENANCE INSPECTION REPORT CHECK SHEET

Project No./Name: **(BA-35) Pass Chaland to Grand Bayou Pass Restoration**

Date of Inspection: 11/20/2016 Time: N/A

Structure No. n/a

Inspector(s): CPRA

Structure Description: n/a

Water Level N/A

Type of Inspection: Annual

Weather Conditions: N/A

Item	Condition	Physical Damage	Corrosion	Photo #	Observations and Remarks
Sand Fencing	Poor				No sign of any fencing remaining.
Containment Dike	N/A				Degraded
Settlement Plates	Fair				Did not inspect
Plantings	Good				Appear to be doing well.